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Birefringence in a Fiber-Optic Sensor
by Use of Berry's Topological Phase*

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Sir:

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Applicants have cited for the Examiner's consideration certain issued U.S. patents and co-pending U.S. patent applications that are owned at least in part by the assignee of this application, that describe subject matter related to the present invention. The co-pending applications are listed herewith in accordance with M.P.E.P. 609 III.D which states: "Applicants may wish to list U. S. patent application numbers on other than form PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08A and 08B format to avoid the application numbers of pending applications being published on the patent. If a citation is not printed on the patent but has been considered by the examiner in

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Our Docket No.	S.N.	Filing Date	Title
KVC-19.03	09/615,166	7/13/00	Reduced Minimum Configuration Fiber Optic Current Sensor
KVC-22.02	09/337,223	6/22/99	Polarization Transformer
KVC-22.03	09/930,738	8/15/01	Current Sensor
KVC-22.04	10/147,148	05/16/02	Polarization Transformer
KVC-33.02	10/034,541	12/21/01	Apparatus and Method for Electronic RIN Reduction in Fiber-Optic Sensors
KVC-33.03	10/124,186	04/17/02	Apparatus and Method for Electronic RIN Reduction in Fiber-Optic Sensors Utilizing Filter with Group Delay
KVC-34.01	09/796,050	02/28/01	Faraday-Effect Current Sensor With Improved Vibration Response
KVC-35.01	09/906,019	07/13/01	Method For Controlling Fiber Optic Sensor Scale Factor
KVC-36.01	09/615,181	07/13/00	DSP Signal Processing For Open Loop Fiber Optic Sensors
KVC-38.01	09/921,166	08/02/01	Reduction of Linear Birefringence in Circular-Cored Single-Mode Fiber

Applicants have listed dates of publication on the attached PTO-1449 for the cited documents based on information presently available to the undersigned. However, the listed publication dates should not be construed that the information in the cited documents was actually published or otherwise publicly available on the date indicated.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached Form 1449.

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Should there be any questions after reviewing this paper, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (617) 832-1000.

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